

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – August 12, 2021 Weekly Grand Traverse County Beach Report

Samples Collected August 11, Reported August 12

## GRAND TRAVERSE BAY

<u>Beach</u>	This week's sample results  E. coli count per 100ml	Water Quality Index	
West End	290	1	
Clinch Park	38	1	
Bryant Park	1120	3	
East Bay Park	816	2	
Traverse City State Park	101	1	
Acme Bayside Park	99	1	
Sayler Park	1553	3	
Sunset Park	548	2	
TC Senior Center	1046	3	
TC Volleyball Beach	214	1	

Water Quality Index	Body Contact Limits	E.coli/100ml (Single Event)	E.coli/100ml (30 day geo- mean)
Level 1	E. coli levels meet EGLE swimming standards for full body contact.	0-300	0-130
Level 2	E. coli levels meet EGLE standards for wading, fishing, and boating. Contact above the waist not advised.	301-1000	131-1000
Level 3	E. coli levels exceed EGLE standards, no body contact advised.	>1000	>1000
Level 4	Health Alert. E. coli levels and/or known gross contamination of beach waters. Avoid contact with beach waters.		

**Note:** Beach samples are routinely collected once a week. Therefore E. coli levels may not meet the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) standards between sampling days. E. coli levels are more likely to increase after a storm.

**Note:** Beaches are sampled using the composite sampling method approved by EGLE. Follow-up samples after a Level 2, 3, or 4 will utilize geometric mean.